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Exceptional Living Centers Prepares for COVID-19 Pandemic

Lexington, KY–March 12, 2020. Exceptional Living Centers is taking precautionary measures, following guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), to address the spread of the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19).

The CDC has done a careful review of the death rate in the elderly, especially those with dementia or chronic diseases. Experts are recommending we take action to limit individuals from entering our building and to ensure sick employees stay home.

Early data shows that:

- The mortality rate for people over 80 in the general population is 15% in China.
- The World Health Organization report estimates the mortality rate at 21.9% for those over 80.
- At the nursing home in Washington state, there have been over 50 residents who have tested positive for the COVID-19 virus with an extremely high death rate.

Exceptional Living Centers operates senior living communities in Kentucky, Ohio, Delaware, Indiana and Wisconsin and is committed to the health and safety of our residents, staff and families. Specifically, Exceptional Living Centers is:

- Temporarily prohibiting all non-essential visitation.
- Screening essential visitors and staff upon entry.
- Activating its Emergency Preparedness and Operations teams at each of our communities and holding a regular conference call with our local teams.
- Re-educating staff about infectious disease policies and procedures.
- Reviewing our infection control protocol, inventorying supplies, and preparing employees through information and education.
- Launching an internal communications campaign, including posters in all communities.
- Directing staff exhibiting signs of sickness to stay home.
- Communicating with residents and family members that Exceptional Living Centers is taking this seriously and that we are taking every reasonable precaution.

Exceptional Living Centers will continue to monitor the situation and update procedures as new information comes in from the CDC and State Departments of Health. For the most up-to-date information, visit exceptionallivingcenters.com.

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